# MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU, MAYOR

# CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

#### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU **MAYOR**

### EXECUTIVE ORDER MJL 10-01

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the City of New Orleans to adopt national best practices in its budgeting process;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council seek to produce a budget with descriptive information to ensure citizens can understand the sources of revenues and uses of expenditures;

WHEREAS, to accomplish a budget based on sound economic forecasts, it may be necessary for the Revenue Estimating Conference to meet more frequently than mandated in the Home Rule Charter;

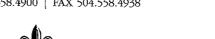
WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council seek to work cooperatively throughout the year to ensure the City Council receives monthly information relative to revenues and expenditures of the City;

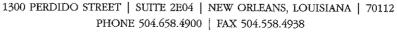
WHEREAS, the current budgeting process mandated by the Home Rule Charter provides only 30 days for the City Council to review the budget proposed by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council seek to work cooperatively to provide the City Council additional time to review, analyze, and amend the budget proposed by the Mayor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of New Orleans by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Home Rule Charter and laws of the City of New Orleans, **HEREBY ORDER AS FOLLOWS:** 

- 1. Effective Date: This Executive Order is effective upon the date of its issuance.
- 2. Purpose: The purpose of this Executive Order is to require early submittal of the budget by the Mayor to the City Council, adjust the form of budget submitted, provide for the Revenue Estimating Conference to meet more frequently than required by the Home Rule Charter, expand City Council representation on the Revenue Estimating Conference, and require monthly submittals of revenue and expenditure data to the City Council by the administration.
- 3. Budgeting for Outcomes: The City of New Orleans shall utilize the Budgeting for Outcomes ("BFO") approach in developing its operating budget. BFO asks public leaders to set the price of government, determine the outcomes citizens value most, prioritize tax dollars to purchase those





results, and rethink the way departments and agencies pursue producing outcomes. In order for the public's priorities to inform the Budgeting for Outcomes process, the First Deputy Mayor -Chief Administrative Officer shall work with Councilmembers to host no less than one public priority-setting meeting in each Council district prior to the presentation of the budget by the Mayor to the Council. The First Deputy Mayor - Chief Administrative Officer is also directed to work with the City Council throughout the Budgeting for Outcomes process.

- Submission Date: The operating and executive capital budgets of the City of New Orleans shall be submitted by the Mayor to the City Council at the earliest possible date, but no later than October 15. The budget shall be posted on the City of New Orleans web site after submission to the City Council.
- 5. Narrative Descriptions: The operating budget shall include narrative descriptions identifying sources of revenues and shall include a written narrative detailing the purpose of expenditure appropriations including an itemized list of anticipated contractual services and their estimated value within the appropriate class.
- 6. Executive Capital Budget: The Deputy Mayor for Infrastructure and the City Planning Commission shall work with the City Council to develop an improved format for the presentation of the City's Executive Capital Budget that includes narrative descriptions of each project as well as clearly identifies sources and uses of funds for each project that will be constructed during the next year.
- 7. Meetings of Revenue Estimating Conference: In addition to the meetings required by the Home Rule Charter, two additional meetings of the Revenue Estimating Conference shall be convened if requested by either the Mayor or City Council Budget Committee Chair.
- 8. Addition of Non-voting Member of Revenue Estimating Conference: In addition to the members of the Revenue Estimating Conference identified in Section 6-101(1) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of New Orleans, the City Council may select one additional member of the City Council to attend meetings of the Revenue Estimating Conference and serve in the capacity of a non-voting ex officio member of the body to the extent permitted by the Home Rule Charter.
- 9. Submission of Monthly Budget Reports: The First Deputy Mayor Chief Administrative Officer shall submit monthly budget reports to the City Council through its Budget Committee. Said monthly reports shall include a report on actual revenues and expenditures by major categories and include a comparison of current data to prior year-to-date data.
- 10. Duration: This Executive Order will remain in effect until amended or suspended by a subsequent order approved in accordance with Section 4-206(3)(c) of the Charter.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 2<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2010 AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

Mitchell J. Landrieu, Mayor

City of New Orleans